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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Advisory Action mailed November 17, 2006, and in view of the RCE (Request for Continued Examination) filed on even date herewith, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims appear in the listing of claims beginning on page 2. Claims 1-15 stand canceled. Claim 16 has been amended. The Amendment leaves claims 16-20 pending.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.